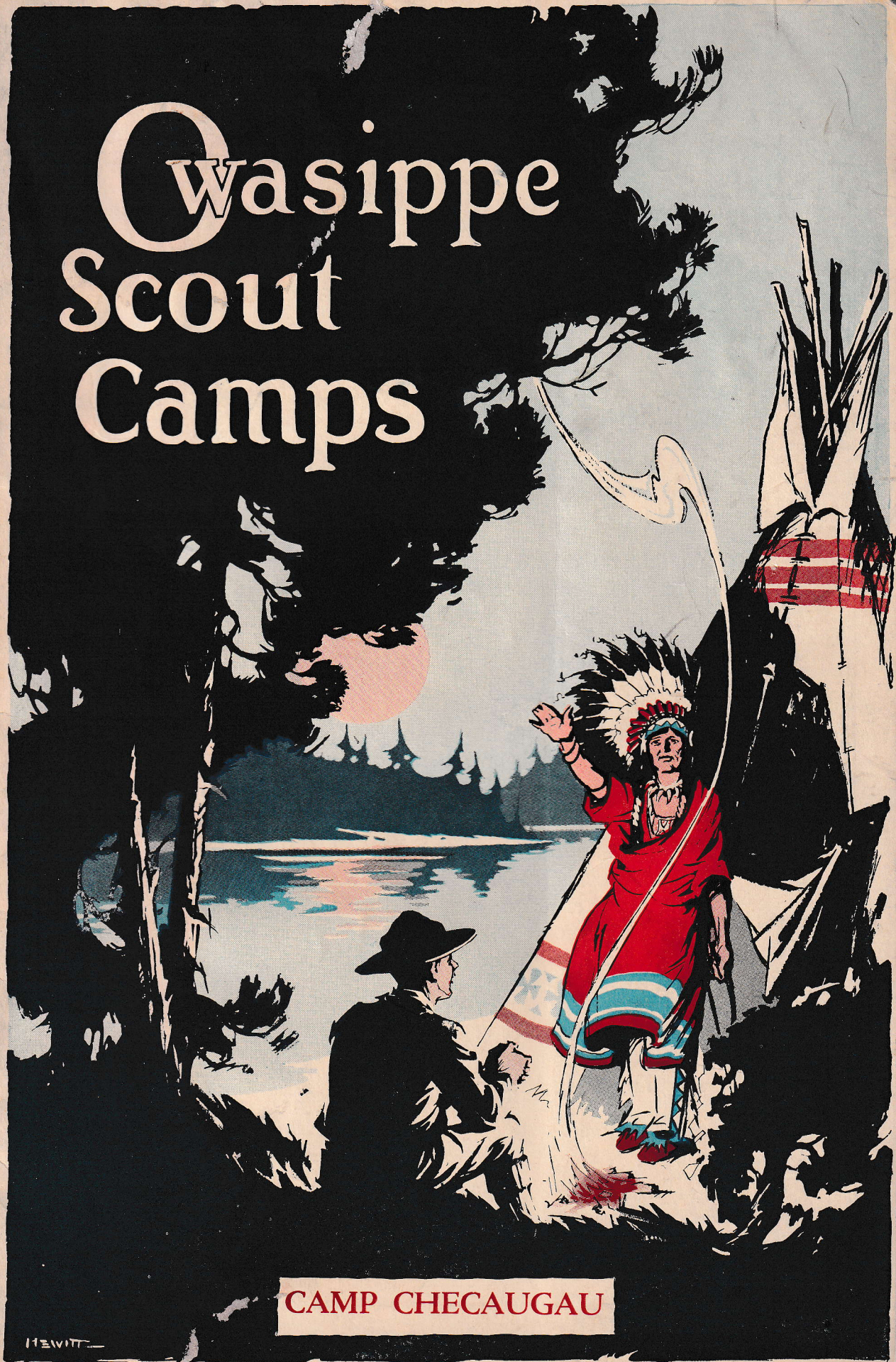


Owasippe Scout Camps



CAMP CHECAUGAU

TO PARENTS

*What experiences do you want your boy
to have this coming Summer?*

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WOULD you have for him mile upon mile of wooded country where he can be a savage awhile in his heart?

Would you have him learn the Indian's harmony with Nature and his closeness to the earth and the wood folks?

Would you develop in him the woodsman's keen practical vision, his steadiness of nerve, his contempt for pain, hardship and weather?

Would you extend his power of endurance, his observation, his delight in the out of doors sports?

Would you select for him clean boys for companions, under the leadership and counsel of men of character?

Would you make available to him the educational program of the Boy Scouts of America?

Would you like to know that he was living in the open, under expert medical supervision, eating plain but wholesome food, playing hard, every minute occupied with something worth while?

Would you like to know for a certainty that he would receive his full quota of sleep in clean, dry quarters, but still so close to Nature's greatness as to be within reaching distance?

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*The product of sixteen years of camping at Owasippe with these objectives in mind
has indicated convincingly that Owasippe Campers do become Physically
Strong, Mentally Awake and Morally Straight boys and men.*



CAMP CHECAUGAU

OF THE
Owasippe Scout Camps
1927 - Sixteenth Season



THE Owasippe Scout Camps, six in number, accommodate at one time over one thousand Chicago Scouts. These camps, because of their successful and efficient operation, have become known Nationally and are the largest boys camp west of the Allegheny Mountains.

They are conducted by the Chicago Council, Boy Scouts of America, and are located near Whitehall (Muskegon County), Michigan.



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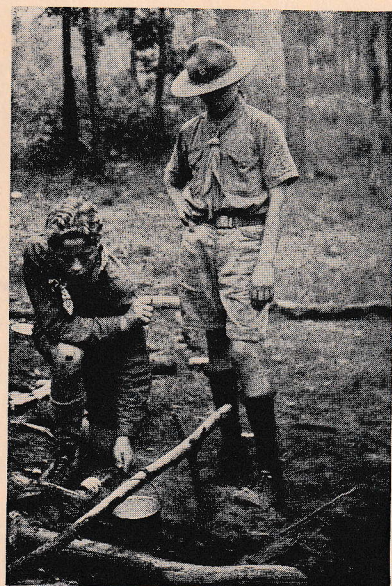
TO scouts who have camped at Owasippe nothing need be said. But to those who haven't stood beneath the great pines, or waded in its streams, or swum in its lakes, there is a story of adventure to be told.



A sweep and curve of sandy beach, sunny days, and shady trees—and your pals.



Making things—



Camping out—

THE wise scout before venturing far, prepares himself for whatever problems which may arise. At camp opportunities to pass scout tests are at every hand. Experts in every subject are ready and anxious to help a fellow.



Passing tests—

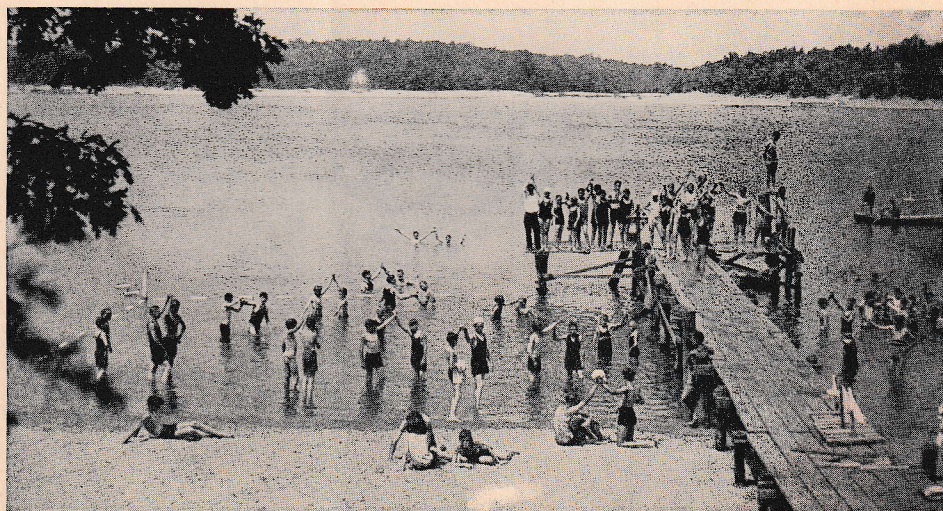


Learning by doing!



Can you Swim?—Learn at Camp—or become a Junior Life Saver

DAILY swims, life-saving, and swimming instruction develop confident and hardy swimmers. The "Buddy" system insures safety and the now famous "sinker badges" are soon swum off. Last summer the Camps won the National Lockwood Trophy for their wonderful swimming record.



Where's your "Buddy"? Here he is, I've got his hand!



"Who'll win?"



A ringer?

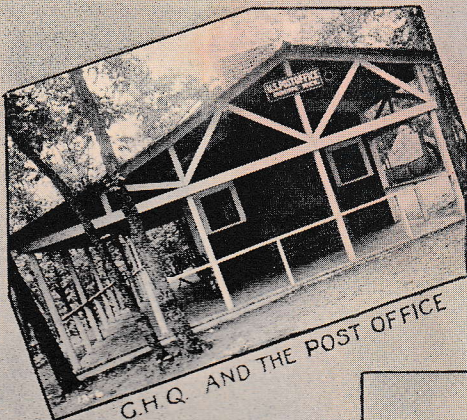
SCOUTCRAFT, athletic and water meets keep every one on their toes. You need not be a specialist here because there is always room for every fellow in the tug of war, the relay, or the other mass games. No one is left out because every hand is needed.



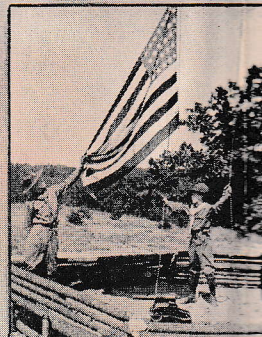
"All together—heave! Another foot and she's over the mark!"



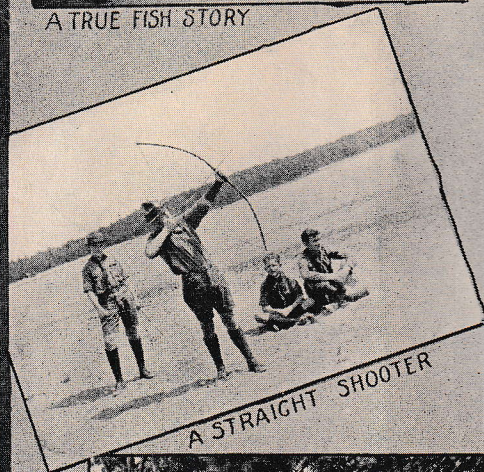
A TRUE FISH STORY



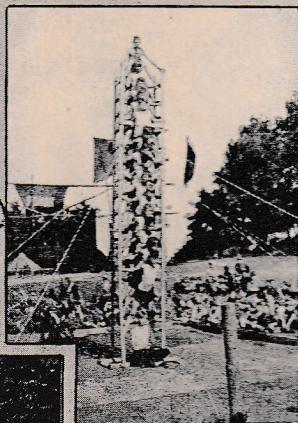
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A STRAIGHT SHOOTER



ELEVATING SPORTS
AT THE CIRCUS



ALL SET - AND WAITING



HANDICRAFT - FOR EVERY SCOUT



HE IS CALLING



MUST BE INTERESTING



COOKING TESTS - THE POOR
EXAMINER!



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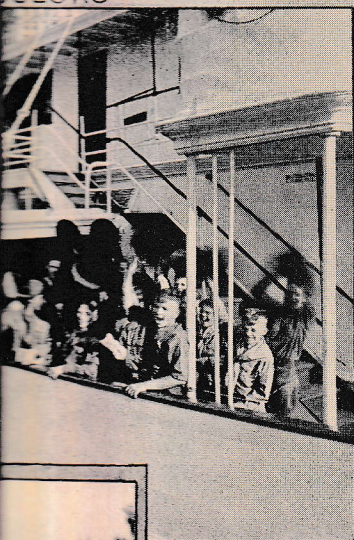
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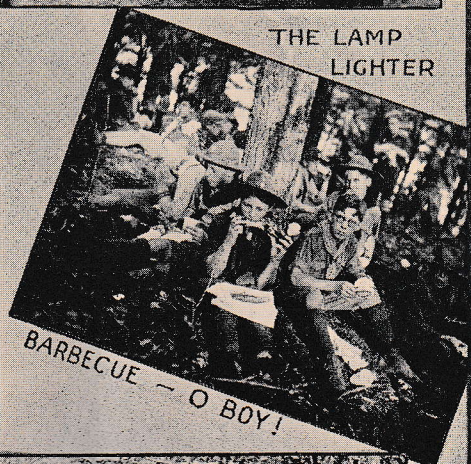
"OH SKIN-NAY SEE YOU IN SWIMMING"



THE LAMP
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CAMP COLORS



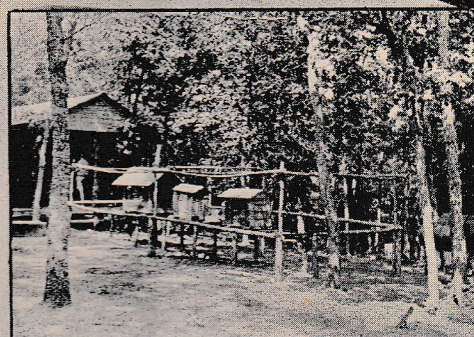
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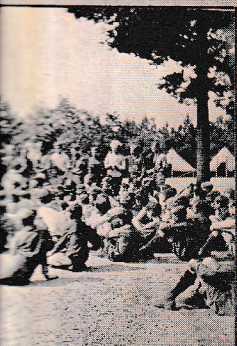
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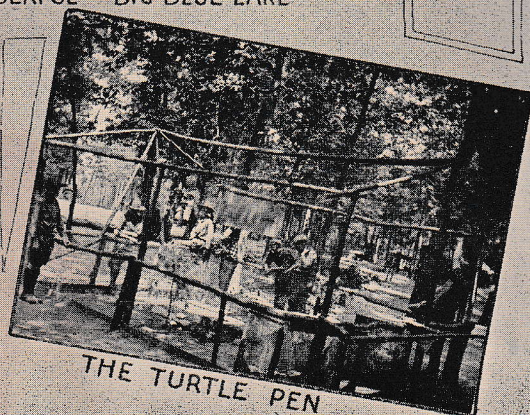
WONDERFUL - BIG BLUE LAKE



HOME OF THE BIRDS AND BEASTS



RE TALKING ABOUT?



THE TURTLE PEN

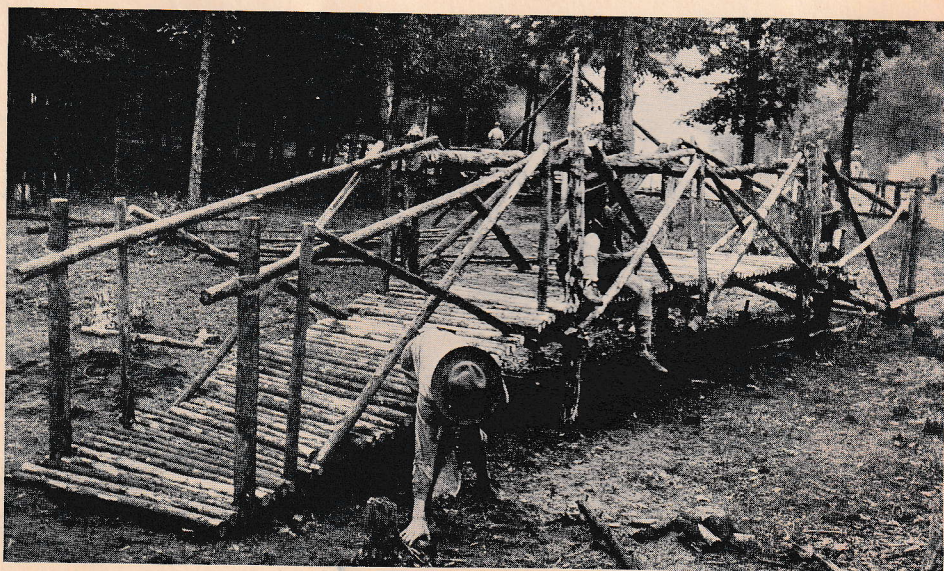


A WEE SCOTCH SCOUT



"Hoist it up over there." A real scout-like job fast approaching completion

THAT hankering to build something is realized here. Whether it be a huge log house or a model bridge there is the time, the place and tools to do it. What is your pet scheme? Come to camp and try it out.



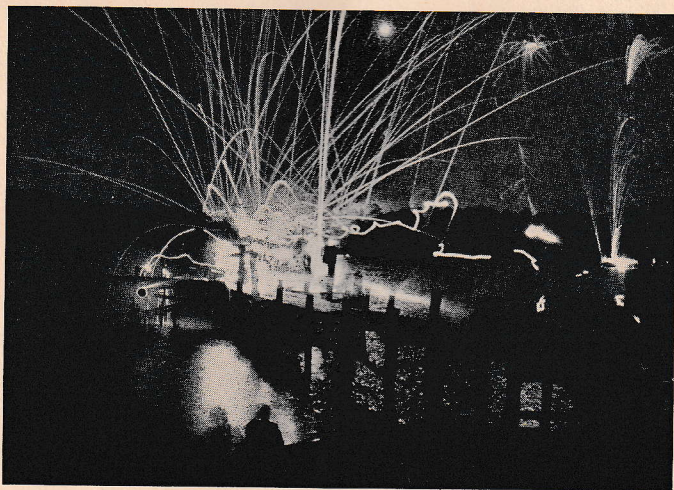
Bridging, not a stream, but a difficult scout test



Treasure hunters! The trail is hard and the obstacles great but who cares?

AND then those "big days" that come each period. The Treasure Hunt, the Fourth of July Celebration, the Red and White War, the Barbecue, and the Annual Circus. Oh Boy! you'll remember them till your last day.

Bam! What an uproar! Fireworks that make you gasp



"Over hill, over dale,
as we hit the sandy
trail—."



THEN scouts who have proven their knowledge of woodcraft and campcraft are allowed on special ventures and special activities. Long hikes to points of interest, canoe trips, pageants and whatever your ingenuity or chance may suggest.

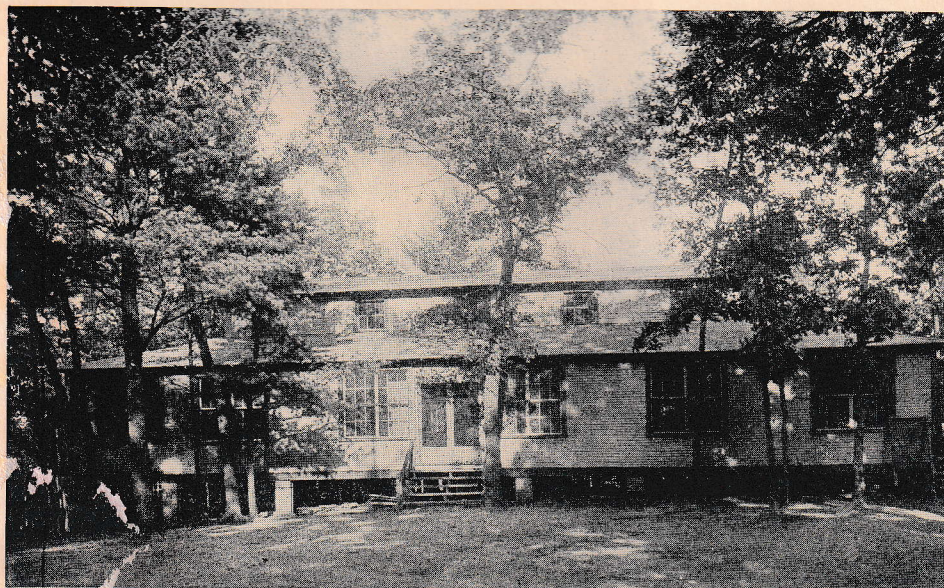


Learn to "paddle your
own canoe," this summer. Fifteen new ones
—Ya boy!



High and dry—sun to warm, shade to cool. Some heating and ventilating system!

AND now lastly, a fine big tent, with your own gang for companions, as home; three big square meals a day to stow away; a big camp fire to end the day's activities and then the soft notes of taps to put you to sleep. . . What more could a scout ask for his summer's adventure?



And here is the old mess hall. Oh boy! there is plenty in store for you here!

General Information

CAMP DAN BEARD, together with Camp James E. West and Camp McDonald, on Crystal Lake, Camp Blackhawk and Camp Checaugau on Big Blue Lake, and Camp Belknap on Lake O-Jib-Way are situated near Whitehall, Michigan. These beautiful lakes, nestling among the hills, provide one of the choicest Scout camp sites in the country. Here is plenty of water for swimming, fishing, and boating. The lakes are protected from the storms incident to a big body of water. With the limitless woods and fields around, the Scout—your boy—finds opportunity for the fun and adventure he craves, and for the advancement in Scout work which he seeks. And you, as a parent, are sure he finds that degree of safety and comfort which you desire for him.

LEADERSHIP—The leadership of Camp Checaugau will again this year be on the same high level that has made it famous among boy camps. Men of character, expert in the leadership of boys and in the knowledge of Scoutcraft, camping, and the out-of-doors, will see to it that every day is made one of joy and growth for every camper. Every safety precaution known to camp management is given first consideration.

Mr. Paul B. Samson under the supervision of the Chicago Scout Executive and the Camping Committee of the Chicago Council, will be the managing director of all the camps. Mr. Samson is one of the best known camp men in America. This will be his fifth year as head of the Owasippe Scout Camps.

Mr. Carl A. Bryan, Field Executive of the North West District of Chicago will be the director of Camp Checaugau. His associates will be men picked for their particular responsibility because of their proven worth.

ACTIVITIES—Each day is brim full of activities beginning with the first note of reveille which is followed by setting up exercises and a morning dip. Breakfast over the camp and tents are put to rights, and the doctor sees any scout desiring an interview. Instructions in Scoutcraft and construction work occupy two hours of the morning, and then just before dinner comes the great morning swim. Dinner over, there is the mail from home, the trading post open, and an hour of quiet in which to rest, write letters and visit before the afternoon program consisting of hikes, games, boating, etc., is commenced. The afternoon swim is followed by inspection, evening colors, and supper. Games in the early part of the evening and the wonderful camp fires with their songs, stunts and fun complete the day. Call to quarters, evening prayers and finally the soft floating of Taps on the evening air close the crowded day.

Every activity is carried on under the closest of supervision to assure absolute safety. The Owasippe Camps have never lost a camper.

SWIMMING—This, the most popular of the camp activities is in charge of Certified American Red Cross Life Savers and Examiners. Last year the camps won the National Trophy for their

swimming record. Boys unable to swim are given special instruction and it is rare that a non-swimmer is still unable to swim at the end of a period.

HIKING—The Indian trails and winding lumbering-day roads are ever an invitation to go hiking. Mile upon mile of forest land, dotted with lakes and streams with scarcely an inhabitant, surround the camp. Under the leadership of the hike-master overnight trips to points of interest, with the night spent in abandoned log cabins, bough shelters or sometimes under the open sky with feet to the campfire and the stars blinking through the trees, furnish experiences never to be forgotten.

NATURE STUDY—The camp this year is to have its own nature expert. Interspersed with the cross country hikes will be bird hikes, bug hikes, and tree hikes. Every scout will have his turn on these ventures.

HANDICRAFT—The handicraft program started last year proved so popular that this work is to be given a larger place in the camp. Dozens of small articles can be made of wood, horn, leather and beads.

PIONEERING—What would you like to build? A shack, bridge, a tower, a raft; here is the opportunity.

RAINY DAYS—Rain is so unusual that it provides many different things to do. Games, song fests, and reading around a roaring fire within snug quarters make these rare days among the happiest days, instead of gloomy ones as might be expected. In this sand country rain is absorbed as it falls and there is no waiting for things to "dry off."

FOOD—Plain, well cooked meals, planned by dieticians and prepared by Pullman chefs is supplied in abundance. Water is secured from deep driven wells regularly inspected by the Chicago Board of Health. Milk is pasteurized in the camp's own plant and secured only from tuberculin tested cattle.

TRADING POST—Candy to a ten-cent limit may be bought at the "Trading Post." Writing materials, stamps and scout supplies may also be purchased. Two dollars for spending money in a two-week period should be the maximum.

MEDICAL SUPERVISION—The camp is regularly inspected by the Chicago Board of Health. The medical supervision is under the direction of the American Red Cross and a physician is in constant attendance. Less than half of one per cent of the campers ever have occasion to visit the hospital.

RELIGIOUS LIFE—The 12th Scout Law—"A Scout is Reverent" is not neglected. After breakfast talks, and non-sectarian services on Sundays for Protestants and Jews, and mass for the Catholic scouts are regular institutions. A spirit of reverence towards God and of helpfulness towards one's fellows is not only present on Sundays but pervades the everyday life of the camp. Grace is said at all meals.



"The Law of the Camp is the Scout Law"

Register for Camp NOW

Here's the Blank

What to Take

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| 3 woolen blankets or equivalent weighing at least 10 pounds. | 1 extra pair of strong shoes (not tennis slippers) | comb |
| Scout summer uniform (if you have one) to be worn on trip. | 4 pairs stockings (preferably wool) | dentifrice |
| 2 extra shirts suitable for outdoor wear | bathing suit or trunks | safety pins, etc. |
| 1 extra pair shorts | pocket knife | 6 handkerchiefs |
| 1 change of underwear | Scout handbook | 1 small pair scissors |
| | 2 hand towels | pencil and paper |
| | 2 bath towels | 1 heavy sweater |
| | toilet soap | 1 pair pajamas |
| | | 1 poncho or raincoat |
| | | Scout mess kit for hikes |

The following additional articles are desirable, but not necessary: Compass, musical instrument, camera, field glasses, rope, laundry bag, haversack or knapsack.

The above lists are complete for any length of time in camp and no other articles should be added. Baggage should consist of one large suitcase or telescope, blankets being rolled separately or carried by a shawl strap or similar means. The Scouts' baggage is carried for them to and from the docks and camp.

All articles of clothing must be plainly marked in indelible ink with Scout's full name, and a list of contents must be pasted inside each suitcase.

Camp Periods

FIRST—June 27th to July 9th
SECOND—July 11th to July 23rd

THIRD—July 25th to August 6th
FOURTH—August 8th to August 20th

When — Where — How to Get to Camp

Scouts leave on a regular boat of the Goodrich Transit Company, on Monday mornings at 8 a. m. Camp is reached in time for supper. Each Scout provides for his own lunch on the boat. The return trip is made the second Saturday arriving in Chicago around five o'clock in the evening.

Visitors driving to camp by automobile follow the M-11 paved road from the Indiana-Michigan State Line to the camp. A large sign marks the entrance to the camp road fourteen miles north of Muskegon and four miles south of Whitehall and White Lake.

Visitors' days are Thursdays and Sundays only.

Fees

Fee for two-week period, \$15.00, including transportation; \$7.50 for each additional week; \$8.80 for one week only.

It's never too *early* to send in this blank—it may be too *late*.

Get your registration in now to Headquarters
before the period you want is filled

What to take?

How to get there?

Periods?

Cost?

All answered here!

(Beneath Blank)

WILLIAM M. SCUDDER
Chairman, Camping Committee

E. URNER GOODMAN
Scout Executive

R. DOUGLAS STUART
President

Camp Checaugau
Boy Scouts of America — Chicago Council
Camp Reservation Application
Season 1927

Date.....1927

I wish to enroll my son (full name).....

of Troop.....for the (check) 1st ☐, 2nd ☐, 3rd ☐, 4th ☐ period. (If for more than one period, please indicate.)

Signature of parent.....

Parent's address..... Telephone.....

Approved by Scoutmaster.....

File this application at Headquarters with a \$1.00 deposit. If for any reason this application cannot be accepted, your deposit will be returned. Once accepted and reservation made, the deposit cannot be refunded.

Payment of the balance of the registration fee must be made not less than three days in advance of leaving for camp. No payments at the dock. All checks to be made out to Boy Scouts of America.

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REFUNDS

Since a place is reserved for every applicant and the camp makes preparations for a definite stay, refunds of fees are not made under any condition; except where a boy becomes sick and returns home, or is called home because of conditions beyond his control such as illness, death, etc.

BAGGAGE

Every precaution is taken with baggage but the camp will not be responsible for loss or damage of baggage. For those unwilling to have baggage handled under the above conditions we advise expressing several days in advance of departure, addressed to the Scout in care of the Owasippe Scout Camps, Whitehall, Michigan.

CANCELLATIONS

Changes in periods or cancellations must be made at least one week in advance of period reserved. In no event will the registration fee be returned.

RETURN BETWEEN PERIODS

Scouts staying more than one period are requested not to return to Chicago between periods unless absolutely necessary in order that the transportation facilities will not be taxed. Written or wired permission of parents is necessary before such week end trips can be made.

(All information requested must be supplied. See reverse side.)